

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SCHAEFER ET AL. Examiner: A. CORBIN
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 10, 2003, said period of response being extended from July 10, 2003 to August 10, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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